

SENATE JOINT RESOLUTION 448

By Kyle

A RESOLUTION to congratulate the Gwatney Championship BBQ team upon winning the Grand Championship at the Memphis in May World Championship Barbecue Cooking Contest.

WHEREAS, the members of this General Assembly are proud to recognize those barbecue cooking teams whose prowess on the grill has brought honor and esteem to the State of Tennessee; and

WHEREAS, the Gwatney Championship BBQ team of Cordova recently garnered the Grand Championship trophy at the Memphis in May World Championship Barbecue Cooking Contest, which is widely recognized as the nation's premier barbecue cooking competition; and

WHEREAS, the Gwatney Championship BBQ team also earned first-place honors in the Whole Hog category, beating out last year's Grand Champion, Jack's Old South; and

WHEREAS, the Gwatney team, which is sponsored by the Gwatney automobile dealerships in the Memphis area, has long been recognized as one of the nation's finest barbecue cooking teams; and

WHEREAS, two-time Tennessee State Barbecuing Champions, the Gwatney Championship BBQ team, has long competed on the national barbecue circuit, placing in the top ten in points for seven consecutive years, and has won more than forty competitions overall; and

WHEREAS, the Gwatney Championship BBQ team is comprised of team leader and chief cook Rick Dalton, Russell Gwatney, Hal Berry, Rusty Voght, Lance Freemon, and Bruce Carter; and

WHEREAS, these upstanding individuals have brought no small measure of pride to the citizens of Cordova and Tennessee with their culinary exploits and should be properly recognized; now, therefore,

BE IT RESOLVED BY THE SENATE OF THE ONE HUNDRED FOURTH GENERAL ASSEMBLY OF THE STATE OF TENNESSEE, THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES CONCURRING, that we hereby congratulate the members of the Gwatney Championship BBQ team on winning the Grand Championship and the Whole Hog category at the Memphis in May World Championship Barbecue Cooking Contest and offer our sincere hopes for their every future success.

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED, that an appropriate copy of this resolution be prepared for presentation with this final clause omitted from such copy.